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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

This is a preliminary amendment to US 19001, filed herewith, which is the US National Phase of the International Patent Application No. PCT/EP01/05254, filed on May 7, 2001, and claiming priority to European Application EP 00201702.8 filed on May 12, 2000.

In the Specification

Please amend the specification as follows:

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 1, line 17 and ending at page 2, line 8 with the following paragraph.

--In the attempt to solve these problems, the catalyst is pre-polymerized under controlled